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HOSPITAL BENEFIT - "THE ENTERTAINER"

WE KNOW YOU'LL ALL BE PLEASED TO LEARN THAT OUR HOSPITAL'S SECOND BENEFIT, THE ENTERTAINER, MARCH 27TH, 1958, MADE A PROFIT OF $13,000.00 FOR THE HOSPITAL. THIS IS $1,000.00 MORE THAN WE CLEARED ON OUR FIRST BENEFIT, THE ROYAL DANISH BALLET, IN SEPTEMBER 1956.

IN ADDITION, THE BENEFIT WAS SUCCESSFUL IN SECURING MANY NEW CONTRIBUTORS AND IN CREATING A PUBLIC AWARENESS OF THE HOSPITAL'S NEEDS. IT HAD WIDESPREAD PUBLICITY WHICH ALSO HELPED TO TELL THE HOSPITAL STORY. ALL NEW YORK NEWSPAPERS REPORTED ON THE BENEFIT AND THE ENGLISH MAGAZINE, THE TATLER, WROTE IT UP AS FOLLOWS:

> "THAT EVENING, BEFORE GOING TO THE OPENING OF THE EXHIBITION OF SIR WINSTON CHURCHILL'S PAINTINGS, I DINED WITH MRS. EDWIN HILSON IN HER EXQUISITELY FURNISHED AND REALLY BEAUTIFUL APARTMENT ON THE TWENTY-NINTH FLOOR OF THE WALDORF TOWERS. MRS. HILSON IS VERY BUSY AS CHAIRMAN OF A GALA BENEFIT PERFORMANCE OF THE ENTERTAINER, STARRING SIR LAURENCE OLIVIER, AT THE ROYALE THEATRE IN NEW YORK, WHICH IS HAVING SUCH A BRILLIANT SUCCESS OUT THERE. THE GALA IS BEING GIVEN FOR THE HOSPITAL FOR SPECIAL SURGERY, THE OLDEST ORTHOPEDIC HOSPITAL IN AMERICA. THE PRESENT DIRECTOR OF RESEARCH AT THE HOSPITAL IS DR. PHILIP DUNCAN WILSON WHO ORGANIZED AN AMERICAN HOSPITAL IN ENGLAND--AT BASINGSTOKE--DURING THE WAR. THE PRESENT SURGEON-IN-CHIEF, DR. T. CAMPBELL THOMPSON, ALSO WORKED IN A HOSPITAL IN ENGLAND AT THE TIME. THE BRITISH AMBASSADOR AND LADY CACCIA, THE BRITISH CONSUL-GENERAL SIR HUGH STEPHENSON AND LADY STEPHENSON, MRS. ROOSEVELT AND MRS. WENDELL WILLKIE ARE AMONG THOSE WHO HAVE PROMISED TO ATTEND THE GALA PERFORMANCE AND TO GO ON TO A SMALL SUPPER PARTY MRS. HILSON IS GIVING IN HER APARTMENT AFTER THE THEATRE."

BESIDES THE CELEBRITIES MENTIONED IN THE TATLER ARTICLE WHO ATTENDED OUR BENEFIT AND MRS. HILSON'S LATE SUPPER PARTY, WERE MR. AND MRS. RICHARD RODGERS AND MR. AND MRS. OSCAR HAMMERSTEIN, II, ALL OF WHOM ENTHUSIASTICALLY PRAISED SIR LAURENCE OLIVIER'S PERFORMANCE.

THE HON. SIR HAROLD CACCIA, BRITISH AMBASSADOR TO THE UNITED STATES, MRS. EDWIN I. HILSON, CHAIRMAN OF THE HOSPITAL BENEFIT COMMITTEE AND MR. JAMES SHATTUCK.

MISS ELEANOR MEANS, MR. SAMUEL S. DURYEE, PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS AND MRS. DURYEE.

SNAPPED AT THE ROYALE THEATRE ON MARCH 27TH.

MRS. GLEE DERVEND, DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL SERVICE AND MRS. ALICE WOO, FORMERLY OF O.T.

DRS. L. RAMSAY STRAUB AND DR. T. CAMPBELL THOMPSON, MISS NINI THOMPSON AND MRS. STRAUB.

WHILE MANY FOUND THE PLAY CONTROVERSIAL, EVERYONE AGREED THE ACTING WAS SUPERB. AND AS DR. WILSON REMARKED "IT HAS EVERYONE DISCUSSING IT, AND THAT'S GOOD!" PERHAPS ALSO OUR CHOICE OF AN ENGLISH PLAY WAS A SMALL CONTRIBUTION TO GOOD ANGLO-AMERICAN RELATIONS.

ALTOGETHER, IT WAS A VERY FESTIVE AND SPECIAL EVENING--PARTICULARLY WHEN SIR LAURENCE AD-LIBBED TO SAY HE, TOO, WAS IN NEED OF "SPECIAL SURGERY"!

OUR GRATEFUL THANKS TO EVERYONE WHO HELPED TO MAKE THIS BENEFIT SUCH AN OUTSTANDING SUCCESS. PARTICULAR THANKS TO THE MEMBERS OF THE BENEFIT COMMITTEE: MRS. EDWIN I. HILSON, CHAIRMAN; MRS. WALTER D. FLETCHER, VICE-CHAIRMAN; MRS. WALTER J. FRIED AND MRS. HAROLD C. RICHARD OF THE WOMEN'S AUXILIARY COMMITTEE; ALSO TO THOSE WHO SOLD OR BOUGHT TICKETS, SOLICITED CONTRIBUTIONS, OR MADE DONATIONS, AND TO ALL WHO ASSISTED US IN COUNTLESS OTHER WAYS.

********** P.M.

NIGHTINGALE'S CHIRP

FLORIDA IS BECOMING A POPULAR VACATION SPOT FOR OUR NIGHTINGALES. TO THIS DATE, THREE OF OUR NURSES HAVE TRAVELED SOUTHWARD THIS SPRING. MISS JANCA AND MRS. O'CONNELL HAVE RETURNED WITH THE MOST GLAMOROUS TAN; WHILE MISS HALSTED IS STILL ACQUIRING HERS. VACATION PLANS ARE THE DISCUSSION OF THE DAY, WITH TALK OF EUROPE, CANADA AND SUCH DELIGHTFUL PLACES.

TO RETURN TO MORE PROSAIC EVENTS, WE HAVE SOME NEW CHANGES TO REPORT IN OUR NURSING STAFF. MISS MERLE SCUDDER IS THE NEW SECRETARY FOR THE NURSING EDUCATION DEPARTMENT. HELEN MCDONALD, RN., HAS JOINED OUR O.R. STAFF. DANA PARKER, LOLA HATCHER AND MARY ALICE SCOTT GRADUATES OF OUR SCHOOL FOR PRACTICAL NURSING HAVE RETURNED TO OUR STAFF. JUDITH SHAFER, 7 NORTH AND JUDITH NADINE OF THE O.P.D., RESIGNED FROM OUR DAY STAFF, WHILE PHYLLIS MCMILLAN AND BARBARA BROWN RESIGNED FROM OUR EVENING STAFF. ROSWELL IS THE NEW MESSENGER FOR THE NURSING SERVICE SINCE MARIAN PFORR IS NOW WORKING ON 8 NORTH. OTHER CHANGES - MARY ROBERTS LEFT 5 SOUTH TO JOING O.P.D. STAFF, DOROTHY WASHINGTON LEFT 6 SOUTH TO JOIN 5 SOUTH STAFF, WHILE FRANK MEANEY, ORDERLY HAS TRANSFERRED TO THE EVENING STAFF.

TWO RADIANT BRIDES ARE AMONG OUR NIGHTINGALES THIS MONTH. OUR VERY BEST WISHES TO VIRGINIA ROHR MAYER AND IRENE BEST MIDGETTE OF OUR DAY STAFF.

********** J.L.

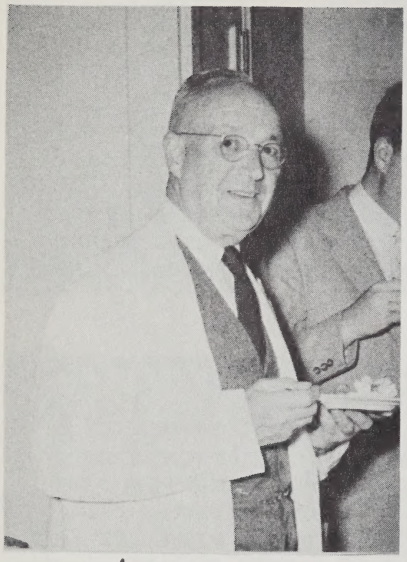
RECEIVING DEPARTMENT

LAST MONTH WE WERE TOLD THAT DIGGING HAD STARTED ON THE SITE OF OUR NEW RESEARCH BUILDING. HOWEVER, WHAT WAS NOT MENTIONED WAS THE BLASTING THAT WAS TO TAKE PLACE. SUPPOSEDLY MILD, THE EXPLOSIONS WERE OFTEN NERVE SHATTERING. WE ARE TOLD THEY ARE NECESSARY AND WE ARE ENDEAVORING TO BEAR UP UNDER THIS INCONVENIENCE.

********** C.B.

RICHMOND STEPHENS, M.D.

1890 - 1958



IN THE PASSING OF DR. RICHMOND STEPHENS, A FEW SHORT WEEKS AGO, THE HOSPITAL LOST NOT ONLY ITS OLDEST PROFESSIONAL STAFF MEMBER, MEASURED BY YEARS OF SERVICE, BUT ALSO ONE OF ITS BEST LOVED PERSONALITIES.

RICH FIRST JOINED THE STAFF OF THE OLD HOSPITAL FOR THE RUPTURED AND CRIPPLED AS A STUDENT INTERNE IN 1911, DURING HIS SECOND YEAR AT THE COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS, WHEN THE HOSPITAL OCCUPIED THE SITE OF THE PRESENT COMMODORE HOTEL. IN THE SAME CAPACITY, HE HELPED IN THE FOLLOWING YEAR TRANSFER THE PATIENTS TO THE THEN SUMPTUOUS NEW HOSPITAL BUILDING AT 321 EAST 42ND STREET, WHERE HE CONTINUED HIS DUTIES.

AFTER GRADUATION FROM MEDICAL SCHOOL IN 1913, HE SEVERED, FOR A FEW YEARS, HIS CONNECTION WITH R.& C. HE HAD WON, AGAINST STIFF COMPETITION, A COVETED APPOINTMENT AS SURGICAL INTERNE IN DR. POOLE'S SERVICE AT NEW YORK HOSPITAL, WHERE HE SERVED FOR TWO YEARS. THIS WAS SHORTLY FOLLOWED BY TWO YEARS OF OVERSEAS SERVICE IN WORLD WAR I WITH BASE HOSPITAL NO. 9, WHICH WAS THE THE NEW YORK HOSPITAL UNIT. IT WAS DURING THESE YEARS THAT HE MET AND WON THE CHARMING ELLA M. KRANS, WHO WAS A NURSE AT NEW YORK HOSPITAL AND ALSO SERVED OVERSEAS. THEY WERE MARRIED SOON AFTER THE RETURN TO THE STATES.

SOON AFTER THE WAR, RICH RETURNED TO THE STAFF OF THE RUPTURED AND CRIPPLED, WHERE HE SERVED CONTINUOUSLY AND WITH DISTINCTION UNTIL THE TIME OF HIS DEATH.

RICH'S WARM AND FRIENDLY TEMPERAMENT, COMBINED WITH HIS LONG ASSOCIATION WITH THE HOSPITAL, RESULTED IN HIS KNOWING PRACTICALLY ALL THE PERSONNEL. AND, SINCE KNOWING HIM MEANT OF COURSE LIKING HIM, HIS FRIENDS AND ADMIRERS, WITH THE COMINGS AND GOINGS OVER THE YEARS, WERE MYRIAD. HOSTS OF THE RESIDENTS AND OTHER PERSONNEL WILL REMEMBER WITH HAPPINESS THE GENIAL AND GRACIOUS HOSPITALITY OF ELLA AND RICH STEPHENS,- IN THE EARLIER YEARS AT MALBA, LONG ISLAND, AND IN THE MORE RECENT YEARS AFTER HE BECAME A TRUE NEW ENGLAND FARMER, AT NEWTOWN, CONNECTICUT. THE SUNDAY PARTIES IN SUMMER AT NEWTOWN, WITH LARGE GROUPS ENJOYING THE LOVELY FARMHOUSE, THE POOL WHICH RICH HAD CREATED BY DAMMING A BROOK IN THE VALLEY JUST BEHIND THE HOUSE, AND THE EXTENSIVE AND PICTURESQUE YOUNG ORCHARD HE HAD SET OUT ON THE HILL BEYOND, ARE FAMOUS IN HOSPITAL HISTORY EVEN THOUGH PERHAPS NOT OFFICIALLY RECORDED.

RICH'S RARE AND COURAGEOUS SPIRIT WAS ESPECIALLY MANIFEST SHORTLY BEFORE HIS GOING. SOME OF HIS FRIENDS WILL LONG TREASURE THE THOUGHT OF HIS WARM WELCOME WHEN THEY WENT TO SEE HIM, OF HIS KEEN INTEREST IN ALL THEIR PERSONAL AFFAIRS, OF HIS VERY CASUAL AND PASSING REFERENCE TO HIS OWN DOWNHILL COURSE, WITHOUT TRACE OF COMPLAINT, BITTERNESS, SELF-PITY OR FEAR. TRULY, AS A DOCTOR AND AS A FRIEND HE WILL LONG BE REMEMBERED.

********** RAYMOND W. LEWIS, M.D.

ROBERT KELLY PRENTICE
1863 - 1958

ON APRIL 6TH THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THIS HOSPITAL LOST ITS OLDEST MEMBER IN POINT OF YEARS AND IN POINT OF SERVICE IN THE DEATH OF MR. PRENTICE. HE WAS BORN IN NEW YORK CITY IN 1863, GRADUATED FROM PRINCETON UNIVERSITY IN 1884 AND FOUR YEARS LATER FROM THE COLUMBIA LAW SCHOOL. HE PRACTICED HIS PROFESSION ALL HIS LIFE IN NEW YORK. HE JOINED OUR BOARD IN 1906 AND HAS BEEN A VICE PRESIDENT SINCE 1924. UNTIL THE LAST FEW YEARS OF HIS LIFE HE WAS VERY ACTIVE IN THE AFFAIRS OF OUR SOCIETY AS WELL AS SERVING ON THE BOARDS OF MANY OTHER CORPORATIONS AND ASSOCIATIONS IN NEW YORK CITY. DURING THE YEARS THAT THEODORE ROOSEVELT WAS GOVERNOR OF NEW YORK STATE, MR. PRENTICE, THEN A FIRST LIEUTENANT IN SQUADRON A NEW YORK NATIONAL GUARD WAS DETAILED TO SERVE ON THE GOVERNOR'S STAFF. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE AND A DAUGHTER MRS. CAROLYN P. PRUYN.

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THE SHADOW

THE SHADOW HAS ASKED THAT WE RELATE
THE VARIETY SHOW'S PERFORMANCE DATE
THUS WE'LL USE THIS SPACE TO DESIGNATE
MAY SIXTEENTH, SPRING, FIFTY EIGHT.
IN ADDITION MAY WE ALSO STATE
ONE DOLLAR AND FIFTY'S THE TICKET RATE.
BEGINNING MAY FIFTH OUR SELLERS WILL WAIT
YOUR REQUESTS AT THE CAFETERIA GATE
WHEN THEY GO ON SALE, DON'T HESITATE
TO TREAT YOURSELVES, FRIENDS, AND/OR MATE.

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WE REALIZE THE POETRY IS SOMEWHAT TRITE
BUT IN CONTRAST THE SHOW IS FAST AND BRIGHT
THE MOOD OF THE EVENING IS SURE TO BE LIGHT
SO HOW ABOUT ENTHUSIASM FOR THE NIGHT
IF YOU MISS OUR SHOW YOU WILL FEEL CONTRITE
SO LET'S HAVE YOU IN OUR LINE OF SIGHT!

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AH, SPRING

WHEN THE LAST SNOW HAS MELTED FROM SIDEWALK AND STREET
AND THE COLD HAS GONE OUT OF THE AIR
ONE CAN TELL THAT QUITE SOON A BOTANICAL TREAT,
AYE, A GREAT HORTICULTURAL FAIR,
SHALL BE OPENED BY NATURE FOR ALL TO ENJOY
AND WITHOUT ANY PAYMENT OR FEE.
BECAUSE NATURE IS GENEROUS, PLAYFUL AND COY
THERE WILL REALLY BE PLENTY TO SEE.

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HAVE YOU TRIED TO SING IN THE BEAUTIFUL SPRING
WHAT ABOUT ANY DEEPBREATHING -- NO --
HAVE YOU STARED IN AWE AT THE BUDS THAT WILL BRING
ALL THE LEAVES, ALL THE FLOWERS, AND -- LO --
IT IS TIME TO DISCARD ALL THAT WEIGHS DOWN YOUR HEART
IT IS TIME TO FEEL HAPPY AND GAY
BECAUSE SPRING HAS ARRIVED AND IT SOON SHALL DEPART
AND TODAY IS A BEAUTIFUL DAY!

********** E.N.

FROM OUR CEREBRAL PALSY CLINIC

MISS LIANE ADLER AN OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST IN OUR CEREBRAL PALSY CLINIC BECAME MRS. NORMAN CARNOW ON SUNDAY, MARCH 23RD. THE CEREMONY TOOK PLACE AT THE PLAZA HOTEL, N.Y. SHE WORE A FULL LENGTH GOWN OF WHITE CHANTILLY LACE OVER TAFFETA, AND A CORONET EMBROIDERED IN PEARLS AND SEQUINS HELD HER FINGERTIP-LENGTH ILLUSION VIEL. SHE CARRIED A CASCADE BOUQUET OF WHITE ORCHIDS AND LILIES-OF-THE VALLEY. MISS CAROL GREEN, ALSO OF OUR C.P. CLINIC, WAS THE MAID OF HONOR. AFTER A WEDDING TRIP TO JAMAICA, MR. AND MRS. CARNOW WILL LIVE IN STAMFORD, CONN.

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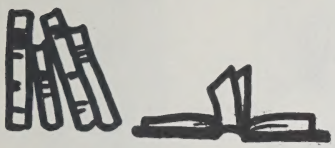
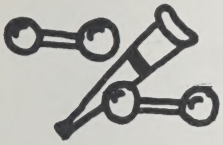


DATES TO REMEMBER -
EXHIBITION BY JECT-KEY, APRIL 15, 18, 22 AND 25.
BOOK SALE - APRIL 29TH. APRIL FINDS US SHORT HANDED, SO PLEASE COOPERATE BY RENEWING REGULARLY AND RETURNING BOOKS REGULARLY.

SEE YOU AT THE EXHIBITION.

********** J.C.B.

DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICAL MEDICINE



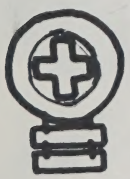
WE ARE PLEASED TO WELCOME TWO NEWCOMERS TO OUR DEPARTMENT. MRS. MURIEL CHALEFF JOINED US IN MARCH AS OUR RECEPTIONIST.....FROM MONTREAL, CANADA, VIA THE INSTITUTE OF PHYSICAL MEDICINE AND REHABILITATION WE HAVE DR. CONSTANT PAPAGEORGES, WHO WILL BE HERE FOR THREE MONTHS AS A FELLOW IN PHYSICAL MEDICINE. HE WILL BE WORKING WITH DR. KARA. WE HOPE THEY WILL BOTH BE VERY HAPPY WITH US AT H.S.S.

MISS FLORENCE WINTER WAS AWARDED A NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FELLOWSHIP IN FEBRUARY AFTER A TWO WEEK COURSE GIVEN BY NEW YORK UNIVERSITY POST GRADUATE MEDICAL SCHOOL IN ABOVE KNEE PROSTHETICS AND OBTAINED THE CERTIFICATE FROM THE COURSE.

DR. ANNA KARA OF PHYSICAL MEDICINE REPORTS: "I HAVE JUST BEEN APPOINTED REPRESENTATIVE OF THE INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR THE WELFARE OF CRIPPLES AND AM TO VISIT LONDON, PARIS AND VIENNA IN THIS CONNECTION BEFOR MY LECTURE TOUR IN POLAND. IN POLAND I AM ALSO TO CONFER WITH MEMBERS OF THE POLISH COMMITTEE ON REHABILITATION TO FIND WAYS FOR THE INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY TO WORK WITH THEM MOST EFFECTIVELY."

********** I.K.W.

VOLUNTEERS:



IN SPITE OF SNOW STORMS AND BAD WEATHER, PLUS VACATIONS, ETC., THE VOLUNTEERS CAME FAITHFULLY ALL DURING THE MONTH, KEEPING THE ASSIGNMENTS COVERED.

FIVE NEW VOLUNTEERS JOINED US AND THEIR INTEREST IN THE PROSPECT OF THE WORK SELECTEL, GIVES PROMISE THEY WILL PROVE TO BE A WELCOME ADDITION TO THE DEPARTMENT. AT THE PRESENT TIME, WE HAVE 87 ACTIVE VOLUNTEERS.

SHORTLY WE SHALL BE PRESENTING THE AWARDS. THIS IS THE TIME WE ANTICIPATE GETTING TOGETHER AND ENJOYING THE RELAXATION OF A HAPPY AFTERNOON.

********** C.A. E.

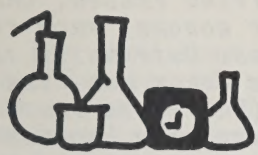
MISS MARY JEANNE CLAPP, DIRECTOR OF NURSING RECEIVES CHECK FOR $1,100. FROM MRS. LILLIAN SEIBACK PRESIDENT OF SILVER STAR TEMPLE #230 PYTHIAN SISTERS.

OUR LIBRARY STAFF ON THE DAY OF THE TEA AND AUCTION. THE PATIENT IS MRS. ELVIRA BAILEY OF 7 SOUTH.

MRS. BERNARD JACOBS WITH MARC WHO WILL JOIN OUR RESIDENCY STAFF IN 1979.

EASTER PARTY AT C.P. CLINIC WITH TINKER TOM AS GUEST OF HONOR.

TEST TUBES AND GUINEA PIGS



INTRODUCING A COLUMN ON THE RESEARCH DEPARTMENT IN THE HOPE TO KEEP YOU INFORMED ON PEOPLE AND THINGS. WE SAY THINGS, BECAUSE OCCASIONALLY THINGS LOOM LARGE, AS WHEN THE ARTHRITIS RESEARCH LABORATORY GOT ITS NEW AND VERY IMPRESSIVE LOOKING ULTRACENTRIFUGE, CAPABLE OF 50,000 REVOLUTIONS PER MINUTE. ITS ELEGANT CABINETRY CONCEALS THE MOST SURPRISING MECHANISMS, SUCH AS A DEVICE TO VIEW AND PHOTOGRAPH THE HAPPENINGS INSIDE A TEST TUBE, WHEN IT IS BEING SPUN AT SUCH A HIGH SPEED TO REQUIRE PUMPING THE AIR OUT OF THE CHAMBER WHERE IT REVOLVES. DR. HEIMER HOPES TO USE IT IN ISOLATING THE RHEUMATOID FACTOR.....

NO, DR. TONNA'S HISTOCYTOCHEMISTRY LABORATORY IS NOT GOING IN FOR THE CARE OF PREMATURE INFANTS. THE INCUBATOR LIKE CHAMBER IS TO KEEP A MICROTOME EVENLY COOLED SO THAT UNIFORM TISSUE SECTIONS CAN BE MADE. THESE ARE THEN LOOKED AT UNDER THE MICROSCOPE.

IF YOU THINK ALL OF RESEARCH IS DONE WITH A SERIOUS AND DETERMINED MIEN, JUST STEP INTO DR. BRONNER'S LABORATORY AND LISTEN TO A DUET SUNG BY MARY FENNER AND JOHN BAILEY.

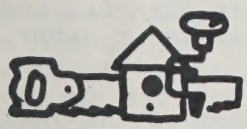
MOUNTAINEERING MAY SEEM LIKE VACATION, BUT THAT IS JUST WHAT DR. FIORESE SEEMED TO BE DOING WHEN SETTING UP A TALL CHROMATOGRAPHY COLUMN RECENTLY. THE TROUBLE LIGHT WAS THERE, WITH ITS ROPE LIKE EXTENSION CORD AND THE PICK-AX MIGHT HAVE BEEN USEFUL IN SCALING THE HEIGHTS OF THE CEILING. DR. FIORESE REPORTS HE WAS SUCCESSFUL IN SEPARATING THE TWO COMPOUNDS.

IF THE RESEARCH LABORATORIES HAVE SEEMED EMPTY IN A RECENT WEEK, BLAME PHILADELPHIA WHERE THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE FEDERATION OF AMERICAN SOCIETIES FOR EXPERIMENTAL BIOLOGY WAS BEING HELD. THE GOOD DOCTORS REPORT SOME VERY FASCINATING SESSIONS, SCIENTIFIC AND OTHERWISE.

SEEN AT SOME SUCCESSFUL RESIDENT'S PARTIES: MARY FENNER, NAN PILLSBURY AND OLGA FEDERICO, ARDUOUS STUDENTS OF BOTH LIFE AND LIFE SCIENCES.

********** F. B.

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY



ON APRIL 16TH STAFF MEMBERS OF THE OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY AND PHYSICAL THERAPY DEPARTMENT ATTENDED A JOINT MEETING AT CARNEGIE ENDOWMENT INSTITUTE. THE SUBJECT WAS HISTORIC ASPECTS OF PHYSICAL MEDICINE AND REHABILITATION.

WE HAVE SUDDENLY BECOME VERY POPULAR HERE IN OUR DEPARTMENT. THE SPECTATORS COME AROUND EVERY HOUR ON THE HOUR TO REVIEW THE SITUATION FROM OUR WINDOWS WHICH LOOK OUT TO WHERE THE NEW RESEARCH BUILDING IS BEING BUILT.....WE ARE DOING SOME BUILDING OF OUR OWN - COME IN AND SEE.

********** E.M.

ORTHOPEDIC RESIDENTS

INTRODUCING DR. FIORENZO TRAVAGLINI BORN IN BOLOGNA, ITALY, OUR NEWEST FLOATING FELLOW. GRADUATED IN 1954 (WITH THE HIGHEST HONORS) FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF BOLOGNA, THE OLDEST UNIVERSITY IN ITALY, THE SECOND OLDEST IN THE WORLD AND "THE BEST MEDICAL SCHOOL IN ITALY" (DR. PONTE PROTESTED HERE). DR. TRAVAGLINI HAS WORKED WITH PROFESSOR SCAGLIETTI OF FLORENCE FOR FOR THE PAST FOUR YEARS AND WAS SHIPPED OVER HERE TO 'SMOOTH OFF THE EDGES' ----WELCOME.

LAST MONTH SAW THE SEMI-BACHELOR PARTY AND LAST MINUTE BRIEFING OF DR. PAUL HARVEY. HE ACCEPTED SEVERAL PRACTICAL TOKENS AND MANY SUGGESTIONS WITH CONSIDERABLE GOOD HUMOR AND GREAT HUMILITY. UPON ACCEPTING A COCKTAIL SHAKER, HE SAID THAT HE HOPED WE WOULD ALL MAKE GOOD USE OF IT. CAN WE INTERPRET THIS AS A PERPETUAL OPEN HOUSE?.....OUR THANKS TO MR. DURYEE WHOSE PARTY FOR THE RESIDENT STAFF WAS WELL ATTENDED - WHOSE REFRESHMENTS WERE RAPIDLY DEPLETED. DR. JOE MASON WHO WAS FORCED TO DEPART EARLY WAS LATER SEEN BEMOANING THE FACT THAT HE HAD TO PART COMPANY WITH "THE BEST HAM HE'D EVER TASTED".

A FEW WORDS ABOUT THE CONTROVERSIAL HOSPITAL BENEFIT PLAY "THE ENTERTAINER". AS AN EX-ANGRY YOUNG MAN, I MUST REFUTE THE PLAYS SUGGESTION THAT ENGLANDS CURRENT ANGRY MEN IMMERSE THEMSELVES IN HOMOSEXUALITY, LECHERY AND ALCOHOL. THIS IS NOT QUITE CORRECT - THERE ARE OTHER THINGS. THE PLAY, IT SEEMS, REPRESENTED THE AUTHOR'S CONCEPTION OF THE BRITISHERS REACTION TO PAST AND PRESENT STRESSES AND STRAINS. IT MAY HAVE BEEN UNFORTUNATE THAT HE CHOSE A DECREPIT MUSIC HALL PERFORMER AS THE CENTRAL FIGURE, RATHER THAN SOMEONE CLOSER TO THE AVERAGE. THE REACTIONS ON BENEFIT NIGHT WERE INTERESTING. I WAS FREQUENTLY ASKED TO TRANSLATE THE KINGS ENGLISH FOR MANY WHO WERE NOT WELL ATTUNED. OF INTEREST TO ME, IN READING THE GLOSSARY OF SLANG EXPRESSIONS, WAS THAT A NEW VOCABULARY HAS SPRUNG UP IN THE LAST SEVEN YEARS. THREE COMMENTS ARE WORTH RECORDING --- "MY GOD, I THOUGHT THEY'D NEVER STOP DRINKING" - "I LEFT EARLY BECAUSE IT MADE ME THIRSTY" AND FROM DR. VELIS "IT'S ALL GREEK TO ME".....THAT'S ALL.

B.J.

MORE FROM OUR ORTHOPEDIC RESIDENTS:

IN SPRING A YOUNG MAN'S FANCY LIGHTLY TURNS TO THOUGHTS OF LOVE OR MARRIAGE, AS EVIDENCED BY THE RECENT PLUNGE INTO MATRIMONIAL BLISS BY DR. J. PAUL HARVEY, JR. HE RETURNED FROM HIS HONEYMOON IN BERMUDA, LOOKING SUNBURNED, BEWITCHED, BOTHERED AND BEWILDERED, BUT EXTREMELY HAPPY. WE ALL WISH HIM AND MARTHA A VERY HAPPY LIFE.

THE THREE MUSKETEERS SEEN MOVING FAST AROUND THE HOSPITAL ARE THREE EUROPEAN FELLOWS, PONTE DI TORINO, TRAVAGLINI DI BOLOGNA AND MEZNIK AUS VIENNA. THEY ARE LINKED BY THEIR COMMON INTEREST IN SCOLIOSIS, PHOTOGRAPHY, SKIING AND PING PONG.....THE UP-STANDING COLLAR OF DR. TRAVAGLINI HAS GIVEN RISE TO CONSIDERABLE CONCERN. IT IS NOT KNOWN WHETHER IT IS COSMETIC, PROTECTIVE OR ECCENTRIC AND NO ONE DARES TO ASK HIM.

THE SHOW MUST GO ON AND THERE ARE A LOT OF PREPARATIONS FOR THE COMING VARIETY REVIEW.....I HEAR THAT TWO OF THE SKITS ARE EXPECTED TO RAISE A FEW BLOOD PRESSURES AND GASPS OF ADMIRATIONS. ONE IS THE HSS LEGS CONTEST, WHICH IS BOUND TO GATHER ON STAGE SOME OF THE BEST LOOKING FEMALE BIPEDS. ANY TALENTED MEMBER OF THE HOSPITAL, PLEASE APPLY TO MR. BILL LOCASCIO OF THE ARCHFAME FAME.....THE OTHER IS A LAVISH ORIENTAL EXTRAVAGANZA WITH A TRADITIONAL SULTAN, HAREM, SLAVE, DANCING GIRLS, ETC. I UNDERSTAND THERE HAS BEEN SOME DIFFICULTY IN FINDING A SUITABLE "KEEPER OF THE HAREM", HOWEVER, DR. BERNARD JACOBS HAS FINALLY VOLUNTEERED FOR THE JOB. WHETHER HE KNOWS OR NOT WHAT THE REQUIREMENTS FOR THIS APPOINTMENT ARE, I DO NOT KNOW.

LEADING THE GREEKPARADE THIS PAST SUNDAY WAS OUR SHY AND RETIRING DR. K. VELISKAKIS IN HIS LOVELY NATIONAL GREEK COSTUME. THE GREEKS HAVE A WORD FOR IT. NEED WE SAY MORE.....FOR AUTOGRAPHED PICTURES OF DR. VELISKAKIS IN HIS COSTUME, CHECK YOUR LOCAL POST OFFICE.

AT A RECENT PARTY, HSS SADLY SAID FAREWELL TO OUR BELOVED RUSSELL (DR. GEE). MANY TEARS WERE SHED WHILE DR. GEE DELIVERED HIS SWAN SONG WITH BACKGROUND MUSIC PROVIDED BY HIS FAMOUS STEREOPHONIC MACHINE AND THE POPPING OF BOTTLES AND TINKLING OF GLASSES. AT THE SAME PARTY WE WERE ALL ASTONISHED AT THE AGILITY OF THE FABULOUS DR. JOE MASON, DURING HIS PERFORMANCE OF THE "FIRE DANCE".

********** K.V.

AMONG OURSELVES:

DR. J. PAUL HARVEY WAS MARRIED TO MISS MARTHA TOOLE ON APRIL 12TH AS FORETOLD IN OUR MARCH ISSUE. WE UNDERSTAND THAT EVERYTHING FINALLY WENT OFF AS PLANNED. HOWEVER, IT HAS BEEN REPORTED THAT HAD IT NOT BEEN FOR THE COOPERATION OF ONE OF OUR ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF AND THE FACT THAT THE ACCOUNTING OFFICE SAFE WAS OPEN, PAUL AND MARTHA MIGHT HAVE HAD TO TAKE THEIR WEDDING TRIP ON THE STATEN ISLAND FERRY..... MRS. ANNE SCHOPPMAN OF OUR MAIN CLINIC WAS DISCHARGED FROM 8 SOUTH ON APRIL 10TH. SHE ASKED US TO THANK ALL THE HOSPITAL STAFF AND PERSONNEL FOR THE KINDNESSES TO HER WHILE SHE WAS HERE. SHE WILL RECUPERATE AT HOME FOR AWHILE BEFORE RETURNING TO THE CLINIC DESK.....DANIEL BOHLEBER OF PURCHASING, SPENT TEN DAYS AS A PATIENT ON 7 NORTH. HE, ALSO, WANTS TO THANK THE STAFF FOR THE EXCELLENT CARE HE RECEIVED AND FOR THE MANY VISITS FROM HIS FRIENDS IN THE HOSPITAL. HE ADDS, "THROUGH MY STAY, I HAVE MADE MANY FRIENDS AMONG THE PATIENTS. I WAS AMAZED TO LEARN HOW HAPPY THEY REALLY ARE TO BE PATIENTS IN OUR HOSPITAL. I HAVE NOT HEARD ONE COMPLAINT BUT THEY ALL COMMENT ON THE WONDERFUL CARE THEY RECEIVE, AND ALSO THE HOMEY ATMOSPHERE THAT EXISTS ON THE FLOOR AND WHAT THEY ALL LOOK FORWARD TO ARE THE MEALS." (DAN, MY FRIEND, WE ARE SURPRISED THAT YOU WERE "AMAZED" AT THE CARE THE PATIENTS RECEIVED, BUT WE ARE DELIGHTED TO HAVE ANOTHER AFFIRMATION OF WHAT IS ROUTINE THESE DAYS AT SPECIAL SURGERY).....

IT HAS NOT BEEN MENTIONED IN THE LIBRARY NOTES, BUT WE BELIEVE YOU WOULD LIKE TO KNOW THAT WELL OVER ONE HUNDRED VISITORS CAME TO THE LIBRARY TO SEE THE PAINTINGS BY DAVID WU JECT-KEY. THE EXHIBIT HAS STILL TWO DAYS TO RUN AND THREE PAINTINGS HAVE BEEN SOLD.....ON SUNDAY, APRIL 10TH A GROUP OF MEMBERS FROM SONIA AID, INC., VISITED 5 SOUTH AND GAVE A SPRING PARTY INCLUDING ENTERTAINMENT FOR THE CHILDREN THERE. ON THE SAME DAY, PAT BOONE OF TELEVISION FAME CAME HERE TO RECEIVE A SCROLL FROM THE MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS POSTER GIRL OF 1958, APPOINTING HIM "ENTERTAINMENT CHAIRMAN" FOR THE M.S. DRIVE THIS YEAR..... MISS CLEANTHE LOGOTHETON, WHO RESIGNED AS DIRECTOR OF NURSING WHEN WE MOVED TO OUR PRESENT BUILDING HAS HAD ENOUGH OF THE CLIMATE OF THE NORTH AND LEFT LAST WEEK TO MAKE FLORIDA HER HOME. HER ADDRESS IS, P.O.BOX 714 ORMOND BEACH, FLORIDA. SHE IS "DEFINITELY NOT GOING TO RETIRE" BUT WILL CONTINUE IN HER PROFESSION. SHE IS ALSO, WE UNDERSTAND, AGENT FOR A TYPE OF CHAIR THAT VIBRATES AND IS EXCELLENT FOR IMPROVING ONE'S CIRCULATION.....DR. PETER C. RIZZO HAS JUST RETURNED FROM A TRIP TO EUROPE WITH HIS WIFE, DURING WHICH HE VISITED FRANCE, ITALY, SPAIN AND PORTUGAL.....MR. AND MRS. AUBREY MCCOY ELLIOTT HAVE ANNOUNCED THE ENGAGEMENT OF THEIR DAUGHTER MARGARET TO CLAUDE ALAIN MOLDAVER, SON OF DR. AND MRS. JOSEPH MOLDAVER.

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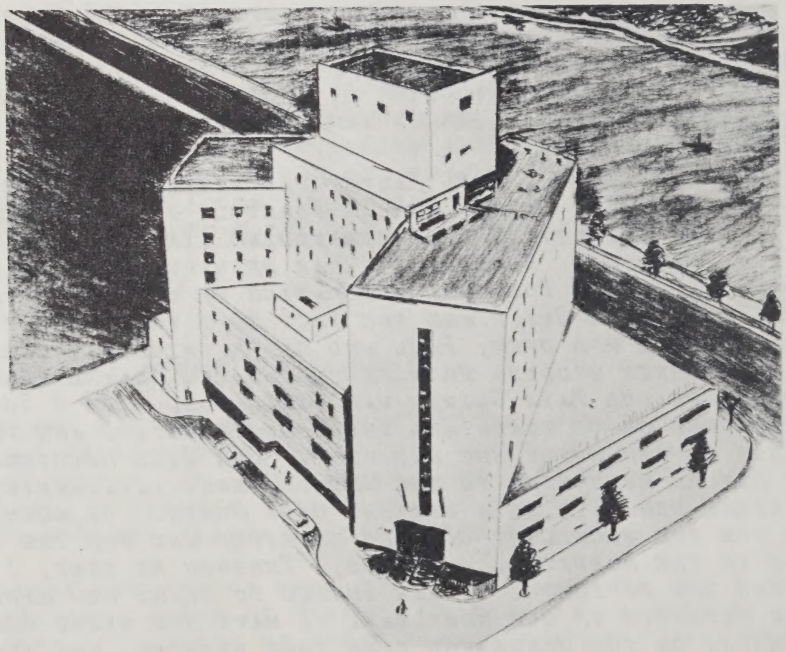
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